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PERSONAL.

of Bain, Wash., are in the city. They are guests at the Victoria hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Watson and Misses Watson, Adam and Sheppard, were among the arrivals from the Orient by the Empress of Japan this morning. They are guests at the Hotel Grand.

A. N. T. Deycourt, of Calgary, is in the city on business. He is among those staying at the Vernon.

WINNIPEG NOTES.

Two Brothers Found Dead in Their Home Near Regina—Wheat Grading.

Associated Press.

Regina, N. W. T., March 30.—John and William North, brothers, aged about twenty-five and thirty years, who were living together at their home east about eighteen miles southeast of this city, were found dead in their house yesterday. It is reported that one brother was in bed and the other was partly undressed. The brothers had been in the habit of calling at a neighbor's for mail, but having failed to do so recently, and not having been seen, the neighbor in question drove over to their place and made the sad discovery recorded above. Mounted police and Coroner David Low left to investigate the double fatality.

R. McKenzie, Brandon, secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, has received important testimony from British millers, which he publishes in the local press to-day, in the form of letters from John Urs & Son, Glasgow; John Wilson Keith and W. F. Stewart, Edinburgh, stating there have been no complaints to take of wheat graded from Manitoba, but they strongly protest against Montreal certification.

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THE BRAVERY OF JAPANESE SAILORS Officers on Ships Intended to Close Port Arthur Had Been Engaged in Similar Work Before.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 30.—According to the official report of the fight which took place near Chong Ju last Monday, received at the Japanese legation here, the Japanese casualties were one officer and four men killed and one officer and twelve men wounded. The losses were all sustained by the cavalry.

The Japanese legation here has received the following official dispatch from Tokio of the fighting between Japanese and Russian forces at Chong Ju, Korea:

"On March 28th a portion of our cavalry and infantry forces occupied Chong Ju, after defeating the enemy. The enemy, who numbered about 600, retreated in the direction of Wuju.

"Our casualties were: Lieut. Kamao and four others killed; Capt. Kurokawa and twelve others wounded, of the cavalry force. There were no casualties among our infantry.

"Two dead bodies were left by the enemy on the field, but it is reported that some seven or eight were killed inside the town. These were promptly carried off by the enemy on horseback, or by ambulance. The Russians were seen conveying in an ambulance two dead men, apparently officers, and bloodstained bandages were found scattered around.

"The enemy must have sustained losses at least equal to our own."

RUSSIAN REPORT.

Inhabitants of Chong Ju Says Japs Had Forty Killed and One Hundred Wounded.

St. Petersburg, March 30.—A later official dispatch from Gen. Mishtchenko reports that on the authority of the inhabitants of Chong Ju, Korea, the Japanese lost 40 men killed and 100 men wounded, and a number of horses during the fighting there on Monday. The Japanese employed 500 Korean horses to carry their wounded to Anju.

Gen. Mishtchenko adds that Captain Stompi, who was among the Russian wounded, succumbed yesterday.

MAKAROFF'S WARNING.

All Ships Entering Zone of Operations Must Display Signals.

Chefoo, March 30.—2:30 p.m.—It is officially announced that Vice-Admiral Makaroff, commander of the Russian forces at Port Arthur, has issued a notification to the effect that all warships and merchantmen entering the zone of operations at night without lights, and during the day without flags, will be considered hostile unless they stop when a blank shot is fired.

RANGE FINDING.

Forts at Port Arthur Carry Out Experiments Under Directions From Ships.

Newchwang, March 29.—Under a strong representation made by United States Consul Miller, that the civil administrator had invaded neutral rights when he ordered the lowering of the American flag from buildings belonging to American citizens, even though it was done through the apprehension that the flag was illegally used by Chinese for the purpose of resisting police inspection, the civil administrator has promised duly and in proper form, through the military, to raise the flag over the building from which it was removed. The British flag which was ordered taken down will also be allowed to remain.

Sir Ernest Satow, the British minister at Pekin, has informed the residents of that nationality in Newchwang that Great Britain will not interfere to keep a warship here, and he advises them to accept the situation as it is. The British residents regard Minister Satow's letter as inadequate to the situation, and severely criticize him.

Viceroy Alexieff has approved a plan permitting cargoes to leave Newchwang.

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THE COSSACKS WERE REPULSED

DETAILS OF RECENT LAND ENGAGEMENT

Three Russians Were Killed and Twelve Wounded—Commanders Tribute to Bravery of Japanese.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—General Kourapatkin in his first report to the Czar from the scene of war, announced that offensive land operations had taken place against the Japanese upon the sixth anniversary of the occupation of Port Arthur by the Russians. These operations took the form of a cavalry attack made yesterday by six companies of Cossacks, led personally by General Mishchenko, on four squadrons of Japanese cavalry, which the general believed to be beyond the Chong Ju, but which he found to be in occupation of that town.

General Mishchenko pays a tribute to the tenacity and bravery of the Japanese under a Russian cross fire. The combat lasted an hour and a half before the Russians could follow up their advantage. Three Japanese squadrons galloped towards the town, which two of them succeeded in entering, while the third was driven back in distress, men and horses falling. The fire maintained on the town was so destructive that the Japanese were unable to make an effective return. Further Japanese reinforcements arrived an hour later, and in view of the superiority of the enemy, General Mishchenko determined to retire, doing so without embarrassment, although he carried with him three killed and a number wounded.

General Mishchenko's Cossacks have been endeavoring for some days to come in contact with the Japanese patrols, but the latter refused to combat. The skirmish of to-day will increase the effects of the Russians in retarding as much as possible the advance of the Japanese army.

General Kourapatkin's dispatch reporting General Mishchenko's operations as published, does not give the place of its origin, but it is presumed that the commander-in-chief is either at Liao Yang or en route to Newchwang.

General Kourapatkin's report is as follows:

"I have the honor to respectfully communicate to your Majesty the report of General Mishchenko, dated March 28th, at 10 p.m., which says:

"For three consecutive days our small outposts attempted to draw the Japanese cavalry into action, but their patrols after contact was established retired beyond Chong Ju, about five miles northwest of Ping Yang.

"Having learned that four squadrons of the enemy were posted five versts beyond Chong Ju, six companies marched toward Kasan, and on March 26th reached Chong Ju at 10:30 a.m. As soon as our outposts approached the town the enemy opened fire from behind the walls. Two squadrons promptly dismounted and occupied the heights 600 yards distant. An engagement ensued. In the town a company of infantry and a squadron of cavalry were lying in ambush. Our men were reinforced by three companies and attacked the Japanese with a cross-fire. Notwithstanding this and our commanding position, the Japanese gallantly held their ground, and it was only after a fierce fight of half an hour's duration that the Japanese ceased firing and sought refuge in the houses. The Japanese hoisted the Red Cross flag at two points.

"Soon afterwards three squadrons of the enemy were seen advancing along the road at full gallop toward the town, which two of the squadrons succeeded in entering, the third fell back in disorder under repeated volleys from our troops. A number of men and horses were seen to fall.

"For an hour afterward our companies continued to fire on the Japanese in the town, preventing them from leaving the streets and houses.

"An hour and a half after the beginning of the engagement four companies were seen on the Kasan road hastening to the attack. I gave this order to mount and the entire force with a covering squadron advanced in perfect order and formed in line behind the hill. The wounded were placed in front, and the retirement was carried out with the deliberation of a parade. The Japanese squadron, which was thrown into disorder, was evidently unable to occupy the hill, which we had just evacuated, and the infantry arrived too late.

"The detachment protecting our rear guard arrived quietly at Kasan, where we halted for two hours in order to give attention to our wounded. Stepanoff and Andronoff were wounded in the chest and Vasilovich in the stomach; Schilnikoff was less seriously wounded in the arm, but did not leave the field. Three Cosacks were killed and twelve wounded, including five seriously.

"General Mishchenko bears witness to the excellent conduct and gallantry of our officers and Cossacks, and especially praise the third company of the Argunsk Regiment, commanded by Krastanovoff."

Liao Yang, Southern Manchuria, is reported to be quiet. There is an enormous movement of troops going out and trains are arriving several times daily.

General Linevitch has received a tele-

gram from General Kouropatkin expressing satisfaction that so well trained a soldier is with the party, adding: "May God help us to carry out the most difficult part of the problem. I will be very happy if, on my arrival, you will remain with the army which so firmly believes in you, until the greatest danger has passed."

Another Account.

Paris, March 30.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says: "I learn that the Czar intends to send Vice-Admiral Choukini, director of the naval school, to Port Arthur as assistant to Vice-Admiral Makaroff."

Russian Warships.

Cadiz, Spain, March 29.—The Russian protected cruiser Aurora and a torpedo boat have arrived here. A number of warships, believed to be Russian, have been sighted in the Straits of Gibraltar.

Newchwang Affairs.

Paris, March 29.—The removal by the Russian authorities of British and American flags at Newchwang is causing a lively discussion in the press here. The general opinion supports Russia's right to administer Newchwang military affairs. The officials here share the same view. The Russian embassy points out that the negotiations following the presentation of Secretary Hay's note on China, left Manchuria within the zone of military operations, and they say that the substitution of military for civil authority followed as a result of the military regime in Manchuria. It is also pointed out that Russia gave notice to the foreign governments before laying torpedoes in the harbor of Newchwang, and gave notice also of other defensive measures. It is maintained that since this brought no protest, Russia's right to adopt all the necessary defensive measures is conceded. M. Melidoff, the Russian ambassador, has delivered such a notice to Foreign Minister Delcasse, and it is understood that all the other Russian ambassadors have acted similarly.

Attempt to Close Harbor.

Washington, March 29.—The Japanese legation has received from Tokio the following official report made by Admiral Togo respecting the second attempt to bottle up the Port Arthur squadron:

"About 3:30 a.m. of the 27th of March the bottling-up squadron composed of four ships, escorted by a torpedo boat destroyer flotilla reached the outside of Port Arthur, and without minding the searchlights of the enemy steered straight toward the entrance of the harbor. About two marine leagues from the entrance the bottling-up squadron was discovered by the enemy. Thereupon the shore batteries and guardships showered a hot fire upon the squadron, but in spite of the terrific fire the ships made their way into the inner roadstead one after the other.

The steamer Chyo Maru, anchored at a position about half a cable from Golden Hill, blew up itself and sank: The Fukui Maru passed a little ahead of the Chyo by its left side, but in a moment when she was lowering her anchor was shot by a torpedo from the enemy's destroyers and sunk in that position. Hachi Maru, anchored to the left of the Fukui Maru, blew up itself and sank. The Yanevama Maru, colliding with the stern of one of the enemy's torpedo boat destroyers, passed between the Chyo Maru and anchored in the middle of the roadstead. At this moment the ship was shot by a torpedo from the enemy, and consequently by reason of that torpedo for a distance of fifty miles, was swept away.

Lives Lost.

Detroit, March 29.—Five lives have been lost and probably upwards of \$5,000,000 worth of damage to property has been done by the flood, which has devastated many parts of Michigan during the past five days. To-night the indications are that the end is in sight, although conditions are still very bad at Grand Rapids, and also along the course of the Saginaw river. Near Saginaw a number of people were taken from their flooded homes by a tug to day. Hundreds of cattle and horses are dead near Saginaw. At Grand Rapids the flood is receding.

CANADIAN NORTHERN.

It Will Build to Edmonton This Year—Second Vice-President Interviewed.

D. B. Hanna, second vice-president and manager of the Canadian Northern railway, interviewed in Montreal recently, said with respect to his company that they would, no doubt, have a busy summer. Their best efforts would be exerted to reach Edmonton by the end of the present year. Mr. Hanna explained that from fifty miles west of Winnipeg to a point fifty miles east of Edmonton, would comprise a stretch of railway 1,000 miles in length, and while there would be a station every ten miles, and in many instances they would be only three miles apart, each of these two, would be wheat centers.

The second vice-president claims that the Canadian Northern will pass for thousand miles through what might be termed a continuous wheat field. The country, he says, is developing by leaps and bounds, and calculating upon the basis of the quantity of land prepared for grain, Mr. Hanna expects a yield this year of from 75,000,000 to 80,000,000 bushels—an increase over 1902, the big year, of from 25 to 30 per cent.

The company had sold 500,000 acres of land last year, and they expected a considerable increase for the present year.

Speaking of their building in Winnipeg last year, Mr. Hanna said he expected to see a big increase this year, to accommodate their business. This, he added, was exemplified by the fact that last year the Canadian Northern carried 100,000,000 feet of lumber, and this year expected to carry from 150,000 to 160,000,000. The fish industry had also become a very formidable item. They had carried over 3,000 tons last year, most of which had gone to American markets.

Mr. Hanna is of the opinion that Edmonton is destined to be one of the largest cities in the Northwest, and that the splendid outlook of both Winnipeg and Edmonton can be truthfully applied to the smaller towns of Canada's great western domain.

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TURN ON THE LIGHT.

The Colonist has ascertained that its friend the Premier is opposed to Oriental immigrants who are not permitted to emigrate. It announces that he will re-enact measures to keep out the undesirable classes who have already been closed out by the Dominion government.

The hon. gentleman is fairly burning with a desire to do the things he has not the power to do, and that there is no necessity for him to do if he had the power. He is bound to keep up the fiction that the federal administration has not done its duty, and that he is in opposition to it for that reason.

Now the Premier is a wonderfully bright and resourceful man. His attitude exhibits the many-sidedness of his intellect. But it indicates sublime contempt for the intelligence of the electorate before which he is ever posing. As he has expressed his opinion upon one subject that is of no interest, perhaps his organ might induce him to talk upon some matters of considerable importance to which the minds of the people are at present directed:

Will the Premier tell us whether he is still opposing with all the power of his puissant person and strong character the demands of those who claim the privilege of taking fish in traps in order that they may be able to compete on even terms with their neighbors in the United States? Will the Premier further inform us through the same medium whether he is still firmly opposed to the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway unless the Dominion government accepts the advice he in the natural comprehensiveness of his abilities and wide experience is able to give it?

But we do not know that it makes much difference what the attitude of the McBride administration may be to any project of importance. The McBride government is taken about as seriously in the country as it is taken in the House by the Socialists, who dictate the course it shall pursue on every matter of vital importance. It is meet that the head of an accidental government, which is willing to retain office merely for the sake of emoluments, thereof, should expend what little energy it possesses in harmless pursuits, such as the passage of legislation that is beyond its powers. It is also well that it should indulge in a certain amount of braggadocio in order to keep up the fiction that it is any kind of a force in public affairs.

RICHARD THE LION-HEARTED.

Hon. Richard McBride, the able leader of the Conservative party in British Columbia, and, by some mysterious dispensation of a blind Providence, the Premier of the province, has been aroused by the announcement that the federal government has disallowed certain alleged anti-Mongolian legislation he has favored with his approval. He has informed his organ in this city, with the usual emphatic bangs upon his desk, we presume, that "the rights of the province must be maintained." We wonder whether the enthusiastic and honorable gentleman will call a special session of the legislature for the purpose of rebuking the federal government, or will he be content with acting at the special session that is shortly to be convened in order that he may announce the railway policy of his government? Will he please indicate the rights that have been taken away or encroached upon?

We wonder whether it has ever occurred to Mr. McBride that the people of British Columbia, who possess the franchise, are neither children nor fools. They are perfectly well able to distinguish between acts of sincerity and acts of hypocrisy. The federal administration, acting under the advice of the representatives of this province, has passed the Chinese exclusion law. That measure was clamored for for years when a Conservative government was in power at Ottawa. To all representations a deaf ear was turned. The only concession that could be got was a paltry tax of \$50 a head on Chinese entering the province, which had no effect whatever upon immigration. Within a short time after the advent of a Liberal administration a measure of complete exclusion has been passed. If the friends of McBride had been in power to-day the Chinese would still be coming in on payment of the \$50 tax.

The measures taken to shut out Japanese have been sufficiently effective for all practical purposes. There is no stream of Japs flowing into the province at the present time. Nor has there been any since the Japanese government voluntarily undertook to pass domestic arrangements that would be satisfactory to the people of British Columbia. It simply suits the purpose of shallow demagogues in this province, of men so barren of ideas of policy, so utterly lacking in capacity for government that they have no hope of retaining power except by rousing race prejudices and passions—suits the purposes of McBride and Wilson and Green, bold and intrepid political swashbucklers that they are, to endeavor to impress the multitude with the belief that they are engaged in a

struggle with the federal government for the rights of the people of this province. That is the attitude of this noble trio. Do they suppose for a moment that the residents of British Columbia are not aware of the fact that all the disallowed legislation was introduced as a bluff? They are as fully cognizant of that fact as they are of the fact that the attempt to enforce the laws was a piece of braggadocio practiced upon the Japanese—or of the further fact, brought out in evidence that the practices resorted to under the sanction of the McBride administration were but little short of blackmail.

And this sincere and earnest gentleman, this creditable specimen of a public man who rules in the name of the people, is going to see to it that the rights of us all are maintained against the encroachments of a usurping federal administration! The acts which were introduced in the Legislature with shouts of hilarity because they were known to be so fully of the character of the head of the government, the acts which in point of fact were brought in for the special purpose of being disallowed, are to be re-enacted and re-enacted until our rights are conceded. And yet this remarkable head of a more remarkable government has been distinctly told by a man who was once his Attorney-General that such measures were beyond the jurisdiction of the province. "No matter," says the Premier. "We have only our financial policy, which is the reverse of popular; our railway policy, which is yet in embryo, and is as likely to mature as the policies of our predecessors; and our demagogic policy. Our only hope lies in the last. If the ceremonies of hunting and insincerity be stripped from that, we are indeed undone."

Vancouver aldermen do not want the police commissioners the McBride government has thrust upon them. But they do not know exactly how to get rid of or curb the propensities for doing things of the ardent Conservatives who would run a police-force on Conservative lines. The consequence is that the commissioners are ordering the council to do this, that and the other thing, while the council is desirous of consulting some authority as to whether it or the nominees of the McBride government, responsible to no one but the said irresponsible administration, is running the municipal machine. One of the aldermen has suggested that an appeal be taken to the Privy Council. But before a decision could be had the possibilities are that the government would be dead and its nominees out of office.

The officers entrusted with the attempt to enforce the provisions of the provincial immigration act candidly admitted that they had no power to prohibit the entrance of or to deport Japanese. All they could do was ask the strangers to sign an undertaking to leave the country, charge them two dollars for the performance of no service whatever, and "keep them under surveillance." What the consequence of this espionage was is not clear. Nothing ever happened. In other words, the act was a bluff. It was eminently fitting that an attempt to enforce it should be made by a government whose chief attribute is insincerity. It is just as fitting that the bold Premier should announce his determination to keep up the farce by re-enacting the act.

As was remarked by a gentleman to the Times this morning, "Think of such a government as that of Richard McBride, of a politician of the calibre of McBride, attempting to dictate the policy of the Imperial government to Japan, and presuming to direct the attitude of the federal government towards a nation which will ere long take her place alongside the chief of the world's powers."

EXECUTIVE MEETING.

Committee Appointed Yesterday to Represent the Victoria Association at New Westminster.

A meeting of the executive committee of the British Columbia Agricultural Association was held yesterday afternoon at the offices of Secretary Swinton, Government street. There were present His Worship Mayor Barnard, M. Baker, H. B. Thompson and the secretary.

Mayor Kearny, manager and secretary of the New Westminster exhibition, stated that he would call a meeting of the Royal City Association for April 8th, to consider the advisability of changing the dates of the show, if requested so to do by Victoria.

Secretary Swinton reported that Mayor Kearny had been asked to call a meeting on the day suggested in his communication. A committee consisting of the Mayor and Aldermen Beckwith and Stewart was then appointed to represent the local association.

Letters were read from Miss Perrin, the president, and Mrs. Spofford, corresponding secretary, of the local Council of Women, enclosing an amended prize list for the women's department of the fair. After some discussion this was referred back for further consideration.

F. H. Eaton suggested that medals or other prizes be offered for the best flowers and vegetables grown by school children, and that the gallery used last year for the school exhibit be set apart for this display. He contended that there would be more education for the children in carrying out this plan than in anything else that might be done. The suggestion met with the approval of the executive.

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Man Who Was Injured in Cyclone Has Been Sent to Prison.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., March 30.—The same cyclone that made James McInerney homeless in Indiana last week, found him a new home in the Indiana penitentiary. Justice, moving almost as fast as the cyclone itself, has decreed that he serve five years in hard labor for bigamy. Mrs. Olivine Angalis McInerney, of Chicago, who claims that McInerney deserted her in Hamilton, Ont., 15 years ago, chance to see his name published in the list of injured by the storm. The result was the identification and arrest of McInerney, who, years ago, was married to a girl of the suburbs.

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"John Matthews, guilty," was the telegraphic message sent by a colier of that name to the magistrates at Aberavon, South Wales. He was fined 5s. and costs for being drunk and disorderly.

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In the Times report of the council proceedings yesterday a typographical error was responsible for the appearance of the words Fort street instead of First street in the reference to a communication from Mr. McCarter seeking the widening of a portion of that thoroughfare.

Instructions relative to the insuring of registered letters has been obtained by Postmaster Shakespeare. The insurance rate is three cents for the first \$10 and one cent for each additional \$5 up to the limit of \$25. The sender is reimbursed to the amount of the insurance if the letter is lost.

Some time ago the Times contained notice of rich copper ore from a property near Ladysmith, being on exhibition in the city, under the charge of J. B. Hird. The property is owned by residents of Vancouver Island, and is situated near deep water for shipping, a good trail existing from Ladysmith to the mine. Capital in the hands of an experienced mining man, who has engaged in enterprises in various parts of the world, has become interested in it, and a party of men are already at work on the property. The assays of ore have gone remarkably high, and the property has every appearance of being a good one. The vein is said to be well defined and traceable for a considerable distance. It will be fully explored in order to ascertain just what the property contains.

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Rev. Dr. Whittington, superintendent of Methodist Indian missions, will deliver a lecture entitled "Japanese Mythology, Manners and Customs," in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Methodist church on Thursday evening. Dr. Whittington has spent many years in Japan, and his lecture is deeply interesting.

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This evening, as well as Thursday and Friday evenings, the usual "Tenebra" will be chanted at St. Andrew's cathedral. There will also be a Lenten sermon by His Grace Archbishop Orth this evening and Friday evening. The morning services will commence at 8 o'clock.

The meeting of the committees ap-

pointed by the Victoria Lacrosse Club, which was announced for Friday evening, has been postponed indefinitely. No reply has yet been received to communications sent Eastern players in regard to securing the services of some good home men for the ensuing season. A thorough canvass of the city is, however, being made, and it is expected that favorable reports will be forthcoming at the annual meeting.

The King's Daughters intend having a woman's exchange in connection with the "Made in China" Fair. It will be conducted on most attractive lines, and consist of plain sewing, fancy work, domestic science, etc. Intending exhibitors will confer a favor by sending their names as soon as possible to P. O. box 187, thus enabling the committee to arrange their space to the best advantage. For further particulars apply from 1 to 4 daily to Mrs. Webster, end of car line Cadboro Bay road.

It is anticipated a large number will avail themselves of the reduced rates and special train service on the E. & N. railway to spend the Easter holidays at the different resorts on the line. In ad-

dition to the regular afternoon trains of Saturday and Sunday, there will be af-

ternoon service on Good Friday and Eastern Monday, trains leaving here at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. each day from Friday to Monday inclusive. Excursion rates

will be in effect between all point, tickets good from Friday until Monday.

An Association football match has been arranged between a combined Victoria and Columbia team and the Garrison eleven. The game will be played on the afternoon of Good Friday at the Caledonia grounds. It is the intention to pick the strongest possible eleven from the ranks of the Victoria and Columbia associations, and, it is expected, that such aggregation will put up one of the fastest exhibitions seen on local grounds. The soldiers will have to exert themselves in order to defeat such an eleven.

In the financial statement in connec-

tion with the Peart-benefit concert,

which was published in yesterday's Times, the item "By ticket seller at the door \$1.50," erroneously appeared for

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Speculation is rife as to the probable outcome of the war between Russia and Japan, and particularly as to the attitude of the Powers toward the desire of Russia to send its Black Sea fleet through the Dardanelles. To understand the reason for the Dardanelles difficulty, it is necessary to go back to 1853, when Turkey made a defensive alliance with Russia, which gave the latter practical control of the Dardanelles straits. It was in consequence of this that the other Powers insisted on the principle of the closure of the Dardanelles, which was sanctioned by the treaty of Paris in 1856. Although this is a cardinal factor in European politics, Canada is not affected, and Canadians are continuing to enjoy their Dardanelles Turkish cigarettes.

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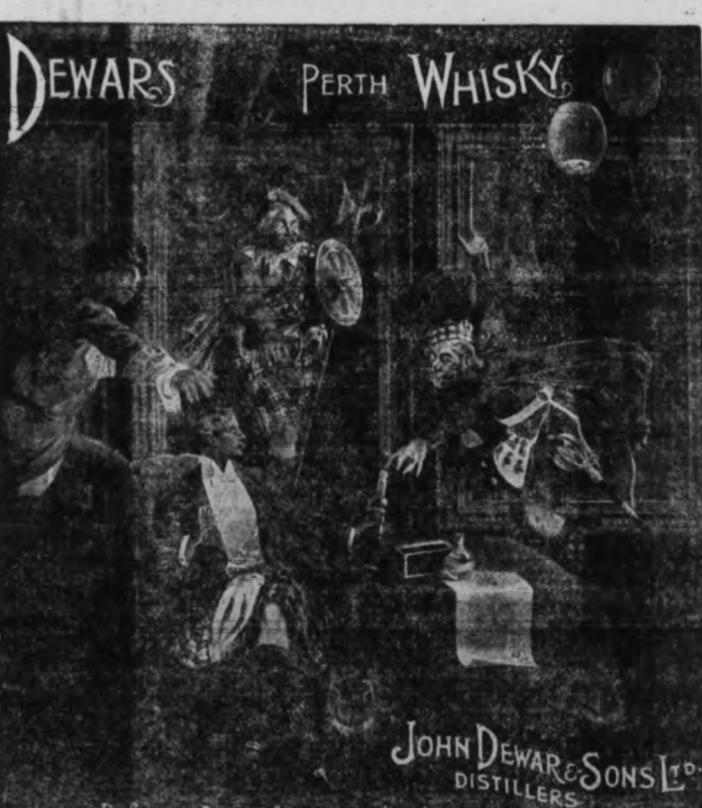
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**BASEBALL.
THE VICTORIA TEAM.**

Victoria's team will be one of the best on the coast this season. There will be three outside players among the local nine, namely, Zeigler, Chase and Emerson. The former has established for himself a widespread reputation as a coach of exceptional ability. After playing two years with the National League at Philadelphia he took charge of the Helens team. Before joining that aggregation it held the last place among the eight nines of the state, but under able guidance play improved wonderfully and the team captured fourth place in the league.

The outside players mentioned are expected to arrive early next month so as to be able to obtain some training before the first game. They will probably be accompanied by Jack Rithet, who has promised to take a place on the local nine. Manager Wille is congratulating himself on his success in securing the services of J. Holness who, it was rumored, had accepted a place on the Tacoma League team.

As has already been mentioned, the first game of the season will be played on May 7th with the University of Washington. This will be followed by matches with Bellingham, Everett, Hoquiam, Aberdeen, Olympia, Centralia and Frank Newman's team, Manuel Lopez. On a recent visit to this city Mr. Newman expressed the opinion that he had organized a team that would be able to carry off the scalp of the local nine with ease. There is a possibility that one of the league teams may be induced to play here on the 24th of May. Every endeavor is being made by the managers to arrange such a match.

What the line-up of the local nine will be is not yet known. This matter is left entirely in the hands of C. Zeigler, who, as captain and coach, will be allowed a free hand in placing the players. Nothing will be decided in this direction until his arrival. In the meantime the boys will lose no time in getting in shape. The first practice takes place next Friday and practices will be held regularly from that day. The battery will be stronger than on any previous occasion, as there will be no less than five first-class pitchers available, viz., Holness, Emerson, Blackburn, Chase and Schwengers. For catcher there will be four players, Chase, Smith, Schwengers and Zeigler. It is probable that the remainder of the infield will line up as follows: First base, Schwengers; second base, Burns; third base, Zeigler or Rithet. The position of short-stop will likely be filled by Zeigler and third base by Rithet.

With a first-class team and a splendid programme of summer games, one of the most successful seasons on record is anticipated. The business men have shown their appreciation of the efforts of the management to provide a superior article of ball by assisting financially. The sum of \$700 has been guaranteed the club. This amount will not be drawn upon unless it is found, at the close of the season, that the team has not paid for itself. In this case part of the money mentioned will be used to place the club upon a sound financial basis.

**BASKETBALL.
MATCH TO MORROW.**

To-morrow evening at the Y.M.C.A. annex hall an exhibition match will be played between the "business men's" five and the seniors. Two games have been played by these teams during the past three weeks, and both were won by the senior team. The business men, however, are confident of their ability to win after obtaining a certain amount of experience, and hope to accomplish this in to-morrow's contest. Both teams have been training assiduously in preparation for the struggle, and a close and exciting game is expected. Play will commence promptly at 5 o'clock, and all players are requested to be present on time.

MAY PLAY HERE.

As has been mentioned in these columns, it is probable that a game will be played in the near future between the J.B.A.A. and the champion California academic five. The Boys have decided to agree to the proposal of the latter aggregation and, as soon as arrangements can be made for securing the drill hall, a date will be set for the match.

V.W.A.A. v. CITY.

The secretary of the Y.M.C.A. has been endeavoring during the past few days to arrange a game between the champions, Victoria West, and a five made up of the best local players. This no doubt would make a splendid contest and draw a large crowd. It is understood, however, that J.B.A.A. players will not promise to accept positions on such an aggregation. They are willing to play Victoria West as the James Bay team, but not to assist a mixed five in a match with the champions.

MATCH ON SATURDAY.

An intermediate game will probably be played between the Victoria West and Nanaimo teams on Saturday at the drill hall. This match will be for the provincial championship, the V.W.A.A. five having been first in the local league.

HANDBALL.

J.B.A.A. GAMES.

A number of exciting games have been played during the past few days at the James Bay Athletic Association gymnasium. The tournament matches resulted

**THE MAGISTRATE
CONVICTS ACCUSED**

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lawful game. Thus not only was there obstruction of the officers, but gaming paraphernalia were found. This, under the code, was prima facie evidence that the place was used as a common gaming house, and that the persons using them were unlawfully playing. He did not agree with the counsel for the defense that to show that the paraphernalia found could be used in lawful games was sufficient to destroy the force of sections 702 and 703. Cards, for instance, may be used in lawful games, but if they were found in that room there would be sufficient evidence that it was a common gaming house. Counters or tokens may be used for other purposes, but if found in that room, under the code they constituted prima facie evidence that this was a common gaming house, even if it were satisfactorily proven that these instruments were being employed in the game "Chung Jung." The whole question resolved itself into this: Has a prima facie case been established?

This had been done, and it was for the defense to break it down. How had this been attempted? One witness was called to prove that no gambling was going on. He swore that there was no fan tan played in that room that night, and there was no direct evidence to show that there was. This witness swore that a game called "Chung Jung" was being played there, and that only four were playing, of whom he was one. This was to him (the magistrate) an important circumstance. The game was an uncommon one, in fact there were only a few who could play it, and yet the witness was not sufficiently acquainted with the other three players to give their names.

This witness first swore that there were no red markers (narrow tickets) on the table, and then when he found these essential in giving his description of the game he said there were a few. He also swore that brass chips marked "C. O. G." were being used that night, and were never employed in fan tan. But according to the evidence of Constable Jackson these chips were not scattered about as one would expect to find them, in the hurry and skurry, but on the contrary were in a box under the table. Evidently they had not been used. Their presence in that room could be explained in two ways. They may have been employed in lawful games, or they may have been used as a blind. The fact of their being there and unaccounted for did not affect this case.

Another point was that Wong Ying, the witness above referred to, swore that the door leading into the inner room was not locked. Under the circumstances it was unlikely that he should know. According to his evidence he was playing, and he was not in a position to know positively, although he made a positive statement. That man's evidence was unworthy of belief. The evidence of Charlie Bo only proved that he knew of such a game as "Chung Jung" in China, but his description of it differed considerably from that given by Wong Ying, the first witness. Charlie said the red-mark was placed on the corner; the other very particularly swore that it was placed on the side. Wong Ying said there were two winners and two losers. Charlie Bo said there were only one winner and one loser. The defense had failed to break down the prima facie case. He therefore convicted the prisoner, but would defer sentence until the next morning. The court then adjourned until to-day.

This morning the other 16 accused pleaded guilty and the magistrate then inflicted the penalty on them. Yung Dal, who was convicted yesterday afternoon, was fined \$20 and \$12.50 costs or one month imprisonment. The others were fined \$20 and \$2.50 costs or a similar term in the institution on Topaz avenue. Yung Dal's formidable costs were due to the protracted character of his hearing. Five days were consumed in his case and the interpreter's fee is \$2.50 a day. In the other cases the interpreter earned his fees very easily. All he had to do was to interpret the charges to them and then interpret their pleas.

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A SECRET OF THE SEA

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Author of "Lady Mary of the Dark House," "His Grace," "Queen Sweetheart," "Behind a Veil," "Fortune's Sport," "A Woman in Grey," "The Barn Stormers," &c.

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTER. Sir Peter Markham is yachting in the Mediterranean with his daughter Eve, and his private secretary Dick Knight, a clever fellow, but with no prospects. The girl, understanding the reticence of the young man, induces him to make love to her. Her father hears the confession, which the girl takes the responsibility. The father, who made his money in South Africa, however, discourages the idea, as Knight is neither rich nor a genius. It is arranged that the private secretary shall leave at Tangier. In the meantime, the yacht comes across a strange craft. There appears to be no one on board, and Sir Peter and the secretary, with volunteers from their crew, resolve to board this mysterious vessel. Dick leads the way. The yacht proves to be exquisitely furnished, and some of the cabins had lately been in the occupation of a woman. There is a gold repeater watch with diamond monogram, and some other belongings apparently of a wealthy gentleman. But there are no signs of a crew, or indeed, of departures from this spell-bound ship. At last, however, attention is directed to a big packing-case. This case, for the time being, affords no clue, but the mystery is deepened by the discovery of a large iron cage, broken open. Sir Peter Markham, who has been strangely moved, becomes terrified. He explains the reason. On the yacht he has found trace of a lady after whom his daughter Eve was named, to whom he was attached in early life, and who disappeared on the day fixed for their wedding.

What the Watch Held.
Twenty-seven years make a lifetime," the millionaire went on, "more than your lifetime, Knight. Although I never forgot—never for a moment—I gave up hope long ago of solving the mystery of Eve Desmond's disappearance. Eight years after I lost her I married a girl whose guardian I had been for some time. She cared for me, I found out, and I was sufficiently fond of her to feel justified in asking her to be my wife. When a child came I asked that she should be given the name of Eve, and my wife was good enough to consent without asking questions. The other Eve began to seem like a beautiful dream to me as I grew older and the blood cooled. Still, the thought of her meant youth, and all I had ever known of the happiness of youth. Sometimes I have waked from dreaming of her at night, all the old agony of loss upon me, as fresh as if we had just been torn apart, on our marriage day. You can guess, then, what it must have been to me to open that watch on the man's dressing-table in the stateroom down below, and see Eve Desmond's photograph inside. Now you know why I will give a fortune to find out the secret of this yacht."

Sir Peter Markham still sat in the deck-chair in which he had slept, and dreamt of his lost love. Dick Knight stood near him, with his back to the rail, facing the millionaire and the broken cage. As the older man talked on, the whiteness of the dawn spread over sea and sky, and the cage behind Sir Peter's chair seemed to Dick's imagination to form a dark background for the strange story, as well as for the grey head of the speaker. Always, as Dick's mind challenged the secret, his eyes were drawn to that broken cage.

"I see what you think, Sir Peter," he said. "Your idea is that she—Miss Desmond—was the lady on board this yacht."

"Granting you were not mistaken, then, what is to prove that the photograph you saw in the watch was not taken before she disappeared?"
"Because the face is older, and the fashion of the dress is still. Still the photograph is faded and old. Many years must have passed since she sat for it. When I left you and went below, some time ago, to have a look through the cabin, I opened the watch again and took out the picture, to see if anything were written on the back. But it was blank. No clue there or anywhere—except her face in a watch which belonged to another man. Somehow I always felt that she must be dead; and there was a grim kind of consolation in the thought, for at least, if she was not for me, she was for no one else, and I could still believe that she had not gone from me of her own free will. But now, to have had that peaceful idea uprooted—to think that all these years she has been on the same earth with me, living her own life, happy perhaps, loving and loved, while I mourned her!—Heavens! I don't know myself. Got to the bottom of this mystery quickly, Knight, if you're going to do it at all."

Knight was a good soul, moved, and for the first time Sir Peter Markham seemed to him human, a man like himself. His heart warmed to the millionaire, and he felt that he could forgive him many things. He was ready to work for Eve's father, now, as well as for Eve and himself.

"Trust me to do my best," he said, earnestly. "Look, Sir Peter, the sun is rising; there's Gib, like a great sphinx against the sky; and—there's—Eve!—there's Miss Markham on the deck of the Lily Maid."

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had come up on deck fully dressed for the day, could say so much as "Good-morning," her father had taken her by the arm with the air of a proprietor, and swept her down the companion. Physically she yielded, because she must, but she was quick to show that her spirit was unbroken; that if her parent could be obstinate, she could be obstinate, too.

"Oh, you can play the 'heavy father,' if you choose, dad," she protested boldly, "but it won't make any difference in the end. I've got your blood in my veins, and when I want a thing I don't give up a bit more easily than you do. I suppose you can't intend to shut me up in my statement all the rest of the trip?"

"Not I," said Sir Peter, as calmly as if his soul had not been tempest-tossed by the events of the night. "I will be good little girl and keep out of Knight's way this morning you can be on deck if it pleases you afterwards, till we get to London-town."

"What do you mean by that? Do you mean that Dick and I are to be allowed to see each other just as—as we were before?"

"Don't you think, my child, it would be as well to speak of the young man as 'Mr. Knight,' until things have gone a little further between you? As for seeing him, if you'll do me the favor to breakfast in your cabin this morning, during the rest of the trip you can see each other as often as you get the chance. At least, I won't put any further obstacles in your way."

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"A thousand times no!" protested Sir Peter. "If you are going to take that ground you can be of no use to me. There was only one Eve Desmond in the world. When she was made, the model was broken."

"Remember, Sir Peter," said Dick, as soothingly as he knew how—for the vehemence of the hard man was starting—remember that it is twenty-seven years since she disappeared.

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The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one year from date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease, one dredge for each fifteen miles, and one dredge for each subsequent ten miles, for a period of three years.

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Lounge, Barber's Chair, Wardrobe, Chest of
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Under instructions from Mrs. Clark,
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Wednesday, April 6th 1 P.M. SHARP

The Whole of Her Valuable and Handsome

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BICYCLE WANTED—Immediately, gent's, for
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LOST—Gold locket and chain. Finder kindly
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LOST—A pair gold filled spectacles, in
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LOST—Black cow, with white face, at
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Teams for Sprinkling.

Tenders will be received by the under-
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horses of sufficient strength to draw the
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also for night, and for each team, when
they will be required to furnish horses,
harness and driver for each team; provide
feed for horses and keep them shod. The
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The work must be done to the entire satisfaction of the Municipal
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LOCAL NEWS.

The corporation of the city of Victoria
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The contract has been awarded to
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Agency's offices and adjacent stores. The
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from the Gulf Island work on the
construction of the steps and the extension
of the balcony will be proceeded with.
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one, and should prevent any subsidence
of the wall for all time. Besides its
value as a buttress, it will be a great
convenience for boating parties and others
who journey to the city in small craft.

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ment of a Chinese domestic on the Elgin-
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coins. The burglary was committed
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when he returned. He noticed the window
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ables had been taken. He at once reported
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but no action was taken. It is expected
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